

PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

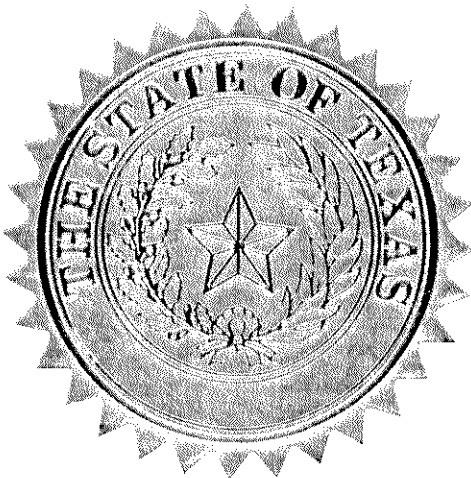
Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 1667 as passed by the Eightieth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

House Bill No. 1667 would increase the wine and beer permit fees in Dallas, Harris, and Tarrant counties while decreasing fees for wine and beer permit holders who also have a food and beverage certificate. The bill would increase the fee for: (1) a wine and beer retailer's permit by \$100; and (2) an original wine and beer permit in connection with a food and beverage certificate by \$250. The bill also would decrease the annual renewal of wine and beer retailer's permit by \$250, and creates a fee for an original wine and beer retailers permit to organizations that costs \$175.

The bill seeks to address a local issue of regulating neighborhood bars by increasing fees and exempting restaurants from fees created during the 79th Legislature. Many of these small establishments operate in converted houses or garages in neighborhoods that lack the deed restrictions that might restrict the location of bars to commercial thoroughfares.

I am vetoing H.B. No. 1667 because regulating businesses that engage in the alcoholic beverage industry should be accomplished through local ordinances in conjunction with an increased presence of law enforcement to preserve public safety, not through increased fees that are intended to price out businesses from existence.

Since the Legislature by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 15th day of June, 2007.

Rick Perry
RICK PERRY
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:

Roger Williams
ROGER WILLIAMS
Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE
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